



**PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**  
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**ATTENDING MASSES IN O.M.P.H. IPOH ONLY OMPH PARISHIONERS** (citizens & non-citizens) and those serving in OMPH ministries are allowed to attend weekday and weekend masses at OMPH church.

**WEEKDAY MASSES** (Mondays till Fridays) will be in English at 6.30 am. (if falls on public holiday, Mass will be at 8 am)

**WEEKEND MASSES** (Saturdays **6 pm**) & Sundays (8am & 11 am)  
 > Pre-registration with ministry/BEC heads or parish office. Attendance will be based on rostering exercise on first come first serve basis.  
 > Please come 30-45 minutes earlier before Mass starts for attendance marking, temperature taking and checking in with MySejahtera App. Government SOPs apply.

**LIGUORI BOOKSHOP**  
 The bookshop will be open on  
 Sat. 5pm till 7.30pm  
 Sun. 9am till 11 am  
 to enable parishioners to purchase items. Please follow SOPs: Temperature check, Check in with MySejahtera, Sanitize your hands, maintain physical distancing of 1 metre.

**ASCENSION THURSDAY – 13 May 2021.**  
**Mass at 8.00 a.m & 6.00 p.m (E)**  
**Tamil Mass at 11 a.m.**  
 > **Pre-registration** with ministry/BEC heads or parish office. Attendance will be based on rostering exercise on first come first serve basis.  
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**NEW-INTAKE (2021-2022) for "ADULTS ENQUIRY TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH"**  
**The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**  
 If you know of friends who are interested in making enquiry into the Catholic Faith, please register now at the parish office (055458220). Sessions will be held in English, Mandarin & Tamil on 1<sup>st</sup> week of July.

**EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED 2021**  
 Couples planning to get married in the year 2021, please take note of the EE Weekends in English during the year. You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

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| <b>Stella Maris, Tg. Bungah/online Penang</b> | * EE 128 27-29 Aug 2021<br>* EE 129 19 – 21 Nov 2021 |
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Application forms can be obtained from your Parish Priest or on the website: [www.ceepenang.org](http://www.ceepenang.org)  
**Please see your Parish Priest for registration.**

(food for thought) (Bulletin 2 May 2021)  
 Gospel: John 15:1-8.

*“ True Vine and True Branches”*

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In the Gospel of last week Jesus called Himself the Good Shepherd, and He spoke about His role as guide and protector of His flock. Those words are very comforting and reassuring. We know that He will care for us, that He will never leave us as orphans and that we can feel safe within His embrace. His words also speak about the great sacrifice that He must make. As the Good Shepherd, He gives His life for His sheep.

Jesus uses the imagery of the vine and the branches to dramatize the intimate, life-giving connection that He offers to those who believe in Him. He promises that if we remain united with Him in faith and love, we will be alive and fruitful. He reminds us that being connected to Him is necessary for healthy growth. But He also tells us that we cannot be connected to Him without being connected to - and dependent upon - one another.

We are called to celebrate Eucharist; to thank God together for the gift of faith: to listen to the living Word, and then to gather around the Table to experience reconciliation, renewed hope and joy, and the fullness of life as we remember the death and resurrection of Jesus and celebrate again our identity as members of God's people.

Love is the ultimate connection. This is His "new commandment" - we are not only connected to Him, but to one another. He taught the truth, he spoke words of comfort, he healed the sick, he brought sight to the blind, he rebuked those who needed to be rebuked, he spent much time in prayer and in communion with the Father. Ultimately he laid down his life for His brothers and sisters.

And He invites and calls us to go and do likewise - to love not only in word or speech but in deed and in truth. It is only within the loving support of the community that we maintain our connection with Jesus, the vine, and are assured that His life will continue to flow in us and through us, and make us fruitful as his disciples.

